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In the Claims:

Please amend claims as follows.

1. (currently amended) A cooling fan module with protective screen for a portable electronic device, comprising:

a housing having at least a mounting space, an air inlet and an air outlet, wherein the mounting space connects the air inlet to the air outlet, and wherein the air inlet is exposed within an interior of the portable electronic device and the air outlet is exposed to exterior of the portable electronic device;

a fan set within the mounting space; and

a screen set on the housing covering the air inlet and located vertically above the fan set, wherein the screen has a plurality of meshes such that the pitch between adjacent meshes is smaller than or equal to 2mm.

2. (currently amended) The cooling fan module with protective screen of claim 1, wherein the rotation axis of the fan is parallel to the central axis of the air inlet of the housing but the central axis of the air inlet is perpendicular to the central axis of the air outlet.

3. (currently amended) The cooling fan module with protective screen of claim 1, wherein material constituting the screen is selected from a group consisting of metal and plastic.

4. (currently amended) The cooling fan module with protective screen of claim 1, wherein the fan is exposed through the air inlet.